

## **FISCAL NOTE**

### **HB 2177 - SB 2294**

March 7, 2007

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Authorizes awards of compensation to certain intervenors who make substantial contributions to certain proceedings of the Tennessee Regulatory Agency (TRA).

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### **Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant**

Assumptions:

- This bill provides that public utilities are authorized to make award payments to intervenors deemed to have made substantial contributions and to pass this expense through to its utility customers in the rate base so that the award amount paid shall be fully recovered within one year from the date of the award.
- This act shall be administered in a manner that avoids unproductive or unnecessary participation that duplicates the participation of similar interests otherwise adequately represented or participation that is not necessary for a fair determination of the proceeding.
- TRA will incur additional recurring expenditures estimated as not significant to implement the provisions of this bill.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director